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Auditors' Report

The Corporation of the Town of Blairmore, Alta.

Report and Financial Statements For Year Ended 31st December, 1916

Acadia Building,
612 Third Avenue S.,
Lethbridge, Alberta,
20th January, 1917
His Worship THE MAYOR.

AND COUNCIL,
The Corporation of The
Town of Blairmore,
Blairmore, Alberta.

GENTLEMEN:—
We have in accordance with Sections 51 and 53 (2) of "The Town Act" examined and audited the Books and Vouchers of the Corporation of the Town of Blairmore, Blairmore, Alberta, for the year ended 31st December, 1916, and beg to submit the following statements:

Balance Sheet of "Debtors Funds," general;

Balance Sheet of Taxation and Public Utility's Revenue Funds, general;

Revenue and Expenditure Account, general;

Revenue and Expenditure Account, Waterworks;

Statement of Bonded Debt.

All our requirements as Auditors have been complied with.

We have to report that the Balance Sheets attached hereto and signed by us, together with the relative Appendices thereto, are in our opinion properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Town affairs according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Town.

We have again to draw the attention of the Council to the necessity of taking up the question of Depreciation upon a proper and sound basis, and to deal with this matter in the preparation of the Estimates.

The only provision being taken care of in this way at present is the Debtors Principal repayments. We have purposely omitted making any arbitrary allowances for this purpose in the Statements herein referred to.

We would suggest that action be taken in regard to the accounts of Messrs. F. W. Deane, J. R. Irwin and F. P. Snyder, which appear to be irrecoverable, and that if this proves to be the case that a resolution of Council be passed authorizing the Treasurer to write off these sums as bad debts. They have been reported on the books of the Town for the last few years without any change taking place in them.

Reported by
HENDERSON, REID & PATERSON,
Chartered Accountants,
Auditors to the Corporation of
the Town of Blairmore.

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1916

DEBTOR FUNDS	
ASSETS	
Waterworks System.....	\$51,662.38
Fire Hall Site.....	1,305.00
Fire Department.....	1,003.92
Debtors Discounts.....	4,500.00
Funds Unexpended:	
Due by Taxation and Public Utility's Revenue Funds:	
Waterworks System.....	397.62
Fire Department.....	2,031.08
	2,308.70
	\$61,500.00
LIABILITIES	
Bonded Debt:	
As per Appendix No. 1.....	\$61,500.00
Deduct Principal Redeemed.....	7,524.83
	57,475.17
Depreciation Reserve:	
Bonded Debt Redeemed.....	7,024.83
	\$61,500.00

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TAXATION AND PUBLIC UTILITY'S REVENUE FUNDS

ASSETS	
Cash:	
In Union Bank of Canada.....	155.42
Less Cheques Unpresented.....	50.10
	105.32
In Hands of Treasurer.....	34.45
	139.77
Sundry Debtors:	
Arrears of Taxes 1915 and prior 15,004.12	
Less Suspense Account.....	120.37
	15,483.75
1916 Taxes.....	5,588.41
Water Consumers.....	787.05
F. W. Doust.....	18.85
J. R. Irwin.....	211.90
F. P. Snyder.....	111.90
Tax Enforcement Costs Recoverable.....	228.38
	22,380.84
Inventories:	
Office Furniture.....	270.85
Tools and Chattels (Public Works).....	71.50
Tools and Chattels (Waterworks).....	0.50
Police Equipment.....	191.79
	543.64
Expenditure Pending Capitalization Transferred by Debtors Issue:	
Street Grading.....	1,079.77
River Cribbing.....	233.40
Street Lamps.....	270.00
Plank Sidewalks.....	156.78
Cemetery.....	98.50
Bridge—Dearborn Street.....	76.78
	1,925.18
	\$24,989.43

LIABILITIES	
Sundry Creditors:	
Union Bank of Canada—Note.....	10,725.00
School District No. 628.....	3,723.69
On Accounts Payable.....	531.85
Debtors Interest Accrued:	
Waterworks.....	2,477.70
General.....	234.08
	2,711.84
Suspense Account.....	15.00
	17,707.98
Debtors Funds:	
Funds Unexpended per Balance Sheet.....	2,368.70
Depreciation Reserve:	
Fire Hall Site and Equipment.....	340.88
Waterworks System.....	66.56
Office Furniture.....	49.50
Police Equipment.....	31.69
Plank Sidewalks.....	31.34
Street Lamps.....	27.00
Public Works Tools.....	12.53
	565.00
Surplus—Town of Blairmore:	
As per last Balance Sheet.....	5,637.34
Less Sundry Adjustments.....	59.80
	5,577.54
Deduct Deficit Revenue per Waterworks Revenue and Expenditure Account.....	1,900.98
Less Surplus for year per Revenue and Expenditure Account.....	700.23
	1,200.75
	4,346.79
	\$24,989.43

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WAR LOAN

DOMINION OF CANADA

Issue of \$150,000,000 5% Bonds Maturing 1st March, 1937

Payable at par at Ottawa, Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Victoria, and at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

INTEREST PAYABLE HALF-YEARLY, 1st MARCH, 1st SEPTEMBER.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD.

ISSUE PRICE 96.

A FULL HALF-YEAR'S INTEREST WILL BE PAID ON 1st SEPTEMBER, 1917.

THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN WILL BE USED FOR WAR PURPOSES ONLY.

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE offers herewith, on behalf of the Government, the above-named Bonds for Subscription at 96, payable as follows:—

10 per cent on application;	
30 " 16th April, 1917;	
30 " 15th May, 1917;	
20 " 15th June, 1917.	

The total allotment of bonds of this issue will be limited to one hundred and fifty million dollars, exclusive of the amount (if any) paid for by the surrender of bonds as the equivalent of cash under the terms of the War Loan prospectus of 22nd November, 1915.

The instalments may be paid in full on the 16th day of April, 1917, or on any instalment due date thereafter, under discount at the rate of four per cent per annum. All payments are to be made to a chartered bank for the credit of the Minister of Finance. Failure to pay any instalment when due will render previous payments liable to forfeiture and the allotment to cancellation.

Subscriptions, accompanied by a deposit of ten per cent of the amount subscribed, must be forwarded through the medium of a chartered bank. Any branch in Canada of any chartered bank will receive subscriptions and issue provisional receipts.

This loan is authorized under Act of the Parliament of Canada, and both principal and interest will be a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Forms of application may be obtained from any branch in Canada of any chartered bank and at the office of any Assistant Receiver General in Canada.

Subscriptions must be for even hundreds of dollars.

In case of partial allotments the surplus deposit will be applied towards payment of the amount due on the April instalment.

Scrip certificates, non-negotiable or payable to bearer in accordance with the choice of the applicant, for registered or bearer bonds will be issued, after allotment, in exchange for the provisional receipts.

When the scrip certificates have been paid in full and payment endorsed thereon by the bank receiving the money, they may be exchanged for bonds, when prepared with coupons attached, payable to bearer or registered as to principal, or for fully registered bonds, when prepared, without coupons, in accordance with the application.

Delivery of scrip certificates and of bonds will be made through the chartered banks.

The issue will be exempt from taxes—imposed by income tax—imposed in pursuance of legislation enacted by the Parliament of Canada.

The bonds with coupons will be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000. Fully registered bonds without coupons will be issued in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or any authorized multiple of \$5,000.

The bonds will be paid at maturity at par at the office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary or Victoria, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

The interest on the fully registered bonds will be paid by cheque, which will be remitted by post. Interest on bonds with coupons will be paid on surrender of coupons. Both cheques and coupons, at the option of the holder, will be payable free of exchange at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

Subject to the payment of twenty-five cents for each new bond issued, holders of fully registered bonds without coupons will have the right to convert into bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 with coupons, and holders of bonds with coupons will have the right to convert into fully registered bonds of authorized denominations without coupons at any time on application to the Minister of Finance.

The books of the loan will be kept at the Department of Finance, Ottawa.

Application will be made in due course for the listing of the issue on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges.

Recognized bond and stock brokers having offices and carrying on business in Canada will be allowed a commission of three-eighths of one per cent on allotments made in respect of applications bearing the stamp, provided, however, that no commission will be allowed in respect of the amount of any allotment paid for by the surrender of bonds issued under the War Loan prospectus of 22nd November, 1915, or in respect of the amount of any allotment paid for by surrender of five per cent debenture stock maturing 1st October, 1919. No commission will be allowed in respect of applications on forms which have not been printed by the King's Printer.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS WILL CLOSE ON OR BEFORE THE 23rd OF MARCH, 1917.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OTTAWA, March 12th, 1917.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED

31st DECEMBER, 1916.	
EXPENDITURE:	
To Public Works:	
Street Maintenance.....	218.20
Sidewalk Repairs.....	47.70
General Expenses.....	83.85
Tools.....	20.35
Town Hall Building Expense.....	16.50
Cemetery Maintenance.....	2.50
	399.10
To Health and Relief:	
Salaries.....	225.00
Relief.....	54.46
General Expense.....	2.00
	281.45
To Fire:	
Wages.....	85.50
Hydrant Rentals.....	925.00
General Expenses.....	9.10
	1,020.30
To Police:	
Wages.....	477.45
Supplies.....	20.00
General Expenses.....	182.05
	679.50
To Finance:	
School District No. 628.....	5,968.75
Street Lighting.....	734.60
Salaries.....	674.50
Interest, Discount and Exchange.....	969.02
Interest on Debentures.....	28.95
Discount on Taxes.....	528.04
Printing, Stationery and Advertising.....	127.87
Legal Expenses.....	16.70
General Expense.....	363.99
	9,265.43
To Depreciation:	
Bonded Debt (redeemed).....	198.38
	11,914.15
To Balance:	
Nett Revenue for year carried to Town Gen'l Surplus 760.23	
	\$12,074.38

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REVENUE

By Police:		
Fines	4.00	
Licenses	788.50	
Dog Taxes	102.00	872.50
By Finance:		
1916 Taxation (Town)	5,813.13	
1916 Taxation (School)	5,988.75	11,801.88
		\$12,674.38

Waterworks Department

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1916.

EXPENDITURE

To Operating Charges:		
Wages	557.00	
Pipe Line Repairs	254.25	
Tools Maintenance	7.45	
House Connection Repairs	25.80	
Miscellaneous Expenses	117.00	991.50
To Fixed Charges:		
Debt Interest	3,354.49	
Depreciation:		
Bonded Debt (redeemed)	1,927.72	5,282.21
		\$6,273.71

REVENUE

By Earnings:		
Rates	3,657.35	
Levy Discounts, Rebates, Etc.	334.50	3,322.79
Hydrant Rentals	925.00	
Sale of Hydrant	35.00	4,282.79
By Balance:		
Deficit for year carried to Town General Surplus		1,900.08
		\$6,273.71

The Corporation of The Town of Blairmore Statement of Bonded Debt.

By-Law No.	Date of Issue	Purpose	Term	Rate	Amount	Annual Payment	Amount Redeemed	Balance Outstanding
1	Jan. 9, 1915	Waterworks	20	5%	\$40,000.00	\$5,347.20	\$4,681.53	\$35,318.47
2	Jan. 9, 1915	Fire Hall and Equipment	20	5%	5,000.00	718.70	622.62	4,377.38
3	Aug. 4, 1913	Waterworks Extension	20	6	15,000.00	1,267.50	1,254.44	12,745.56
3a	Aug. 16, 1915	Debt Interest (W. Wks)	20	6	4,900.00	392.40	122.40	4,777.60
					\$61,900.00	\$5,465.80	\$7,024.98	\$57,475.17

Frank School Report

Following is report of Frank public school for the month of February: Grade I Primary—Enrollment 49, aggregate days' attendance 677.5, average attendance 55.56, percentage of attendance 72.75. Pupils neither late nor absent during month: Joe Bloch, Elia Jolly. Grades II and III—Enrollment 29, aggregate days' attendance 509.5, average attendance 25.63, percentage of attendance 91.72. Neither late nor absent: Vincel Sterla, Chaslie Veffrave, Viana Zemek, Laddie Stup, Vincel Zemek, Lodie Sterla, Vincel Bloch, Basila Veffrave, Anie Backus. Grades III Senior to IX—Enrollment 27, aggregate days' attendance 721.6, average attendance 89.16, percentage of attendance 88.31. The following had a perfect record in attendance and punctuality: Charles Smith, Andy Mostelbert, Tom Fathorast, John Bartaske, Tony Bloch, Rosie Bloch. Total enrolment for school for the month 125, aggregate attendance 1907.5, average daily attendance 104.41, percentage of attendance 82.50.

FOR SALE—Quarter section good land, adjoining Maple Leaf townsite on south side and Bellevue townsite on west side, well timbered and abundantly watered. Mostly cultivable, or suitable for stock. Pasture adjoining. Will sell \$40 or \$50 acres or more. Prices on application to Box "E", Blairmore Enterprise.

The foreign diplomatic establishment at Washington has received advice that the Russian army in western Persia had a complete victory, capturing 15,000 Turks who were cut off from Bagdad.

Russian Duma Overthrows Government

A German report says: "A successful revolution has taken place in Russia. The reactionary party has been overthrown. Reports from Petrograd state that the duma, backed by the army, has succeeded in overthrowing the government completely. The revolution occurred in Petrograd and Moscow. Prominent reactionaries, including former Premier Starobin and M. Protapoff, minister of interior, have been imprisoned. The government is now in the hands of a committee of safety. Garrisons at Petrograd and Moscow went over in a body to the revolutionists. The question of the dynasty has been left unsettled thus far. It is reported there is a possibility of the abdication of Emperor Nicholas, who would be succeeded by the Crown Prince, with the Grand Duke Nicholas acting as regent."

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WANTED—Immediately, for farm, capable woman for housework. Must be good cook and baker. Good wages. Apply to Mrs. E. Buchanan, White County, Alta.

The four million of Calgary have nothing to say in answer to the charge of the Consumers' League that flour prices are abnormal. They point to quotations, tell the regulator that the price of wheat sets the figure at which flour is quoted, and add only that they have as little to do with the fixing of the price of wheat as the South American have to do with the European War.

The British have captured Bagdad.

George Allison, of Pincher Creek, was in town yesterday.

A Crossfield farmer paid \$11,000 for a Hereford bull at Edmonton this week.

Looks as though the British will yet knock the last out of Constantinople.

Pir. and Mrs. Edward Hammond are rejoicing over the birth of a son, March 3rd.

The Duchess of Connaught died at London at 5.30 on Wednesday evening, from a complication of bronchial pneumonia.

The recent British war loan brought in more than 5,000,000,000 of new money. The greatest voluntary contribution of any people.

The Bonanza Coal and Coke Co. will apply for a charter to build a railway from the station at Crossfield to the south half of section 15, township T. range 6, west of the 10th meridian.

No solution of the trouble which blocked the negotiations between the miners and operators has been reached by the special sub-committee appointed to endeavor to reach some settlement of the form of guarantee which is required by the operators that the union men will abide by any agreement that is concluded.

"The Man in the Moon" show at the opera house last night was well attended.

Nat Marshall, boiler inspector, was up from Lethbridge on Tuesday.

The local postoffice is receiving a much needed touch of renovation.

Miss V. Ayling spent the early part of the week with friends at Macleod.

W. Shaw, district mines inspector, paid a business visit to Calgary last week end.

Alberta farmers needed three thousand laborers, so George Maltby went down last week.

W. A. Deane paid a business visit to Macleod, and a pleasure visit to Lethbridge on Tuesday.

Remember the masquerade ball in the Workers' hall at Bellevue on Monday night next.

640 Acres Homestead in Montana—new law just passed. New towns, business opportunities. Send 50c for maps and information. Address, U. S. Commissioner, Outlook, Mont., U. S. A.

Private Post, wounded and lately returned from the front, will deliver his "War Talk" at the Blairmore opera house tonight. Trooper Jerritt, a versatile entertainer, will give a program of sketches, songs and comedy. A percentage of the proceeds will go to the Red Cross. Everybody should attend.

The regular meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Bureau was held at the office of the West Canadian Collieries on Wednesday night, when it was decided that a reception for returned soldiers be held shortly after arrival of men now in Canada and enroute to their homes here.

Misses C. McLeod and M. Archer have accepted positions in the office of the West Canadian Collieries.

A couple of government bond speculators are in the Pass this week, and most everyone seems conscious of the fact.

The first degree of Oddfellowship will be conferred at the regular meeting of the local lodge on Tuesday night next.

Miss Martin has been obliged to resign from the tea table staff at Coleman, and left this week for her home.

Tomorrow, St. Patrick's Day, will be observed by the Returned Soldiers Bureau as "Yag Day," to be on hand with the silver.

The United States freight steamer Aquarius has been sunk by a submarine. The crew was saved, but a valuable cargo was destroyed.

Figures show that Blairmore is contributing a larger amount per capita to Patriotic and Red Cross Funds than any other community in Canada.

Dr. B. K. Lillie, dentist, of Calgary, is spending a few days in Saskatoon and Seattle, attending the championship hockey between the Canadians and Seattle.

Money actually paid in by the Canadian people to the Patriotic Fund passed to \$20,000,000 mark during February. This is an average of nearly \$3 per head for every man, woman and child in the Dominion.

F. R. Powell, magician, appeared at the Ogleman square house on Monday night and at the Blairmore opera house on Tuesday. During his stay here he extracted material from heads which were generally believed to be empty.

The regular meeting of the Blairmore Social Club was held on Friday night last.

Guns, gunners and ammunition will be placed on board American merchant ships immediately, and they will be sent to sea under orders to fire on German submarines which attack them illegally.

Sir Edward Carson, first Lord of the Admiralty, in a grave speech given on Thursday evening last, warned the country that the submarine menace was not yet under control, and protested against the country leading an ear to senatorial strategists. "The admiralty, he insisted, is following the councils of the greatest experts. 'You may abuse Germany for her submarine methods until you are black in the face, but it will not save a single ship,' he said. 'You may kick the lion's paw, but I am not a lion. A real patriot is a man who faces the facts.' Sir Edward's speech made a deep impression.

For Sale

Union Hotel
Frank, Alberta

Partly Furnished. Now occupied at satisfactory rent, but must be sold to close out estate.

Apply to the holder for particulars.
THE TRUSTS & GUARANTEE CO.
LIMITED,
Calgary, Alberta.

Eggs For Hatching

White Wyandottes—Purchased Stock
Apply to—
GEO. PATTISON,
Frank, Alberta.

BRITAIN—CALLS TO CANADA—

THE FACTORY THE FARM

She must have Food—

for her Armies in the Field—for her Workers in the Factory—in the Munition plant—in the Shipyard—in the Mine.

THERE'S DANGER IN SIGHT—BUT YOU CAN HELP

DO YOU KNOW—

that the rapidly rising price of food stuffs means that the World's reserve supply is getting small?

DO YOU KNOW—

that a world-wide famine can only be averted by increasing this supply?

DO YOU KNOW—

that a "food famine" would be a worse disaster to the Empire and her Allies than reverses in the Field?

YOU CAN—

help thwart Germany's desperate submarine thrust on the high seas.

YOU CAN—

do this by helping to make every bit of land in Canada produce—the very last pound of food stuffs of which it is capable.

AND REMEMBER—

that no man can say that he has fully done his part—who having land—be it garden patch, or farm, or ranch—fails to make it produce food to its utmost capacity.

BRITAIN APPEALS TO CANADA

THE NEAREST PRODUCER OF STAPLE FOODS

India and Argentina are more than twice the distance away and Australia more than four times.

Canada to Britain

India & Argentina to Britain

Australia to Britain

2500 MILES

6000 MILES

11000 MILES

INFORMATION BUREAU

DOMINION DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OTTAWA

"No matter what difficulties may face us, the supreme duty of every man on the land is to use every thought and every energy in the direction of producing more—and still more."

Martin Burrell—Minister of Agriculture.

The Department invites every one desiring information on any subject relative to Farm and Garden, to write—